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Applicant: Hidenari NAKAHAMA et al.
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For: KNEADING STATUS EVALUATION METHODS FOR
RUBBER COMPOSITION AND MANUFACTURING
METHODS FOR RUBBER COMPOSITION

AUTHORIZATION TO ACT IN A REPRESENTATIVE CAPACITY

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

August 12, 2004

Sir:

The practitioner named below is authorized to conduct interviews and has the authority to bind the principal concerned. Furthermore, the practitioner is authorized to file correspondence in the above-identified application pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.34:

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This is not a Power of Attorney to the above-named practitioner. Accordingly, the practitioner named above does not have authority to sign a request to change the correspondence address, a request for an express abandonment, a disclaimer, a power of attorney, or other document requiring the signature of the applicant, assignee of the entire interest or an attorney of

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record. If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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